

Remarks

The Office Action mailed April 15, 2005 has been carefully reviewed and the following remarks have been made in consequence thereof.

Claims 4-7, 14-17, 21, 22, and 26 are now pending in this application, with entry of this amendment. Claims 3, 8, 10, 11, 13, 20, and 23-25 stand rejected. With entry of this Amendment, Claims 3, 8, 10, 11, 13, 20, and 23-25 are newly cancelled.

No extension of time is believed necessary for entry of this Amendment. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to consider this a request for the necessary extension of time, if one is needed, and to charge the fee for this extension and any other fees necessary for entry of this Amendment (including fees for additional claims, if the amount authorized on the Transmittal is insufficient) to the Deposit Account indicated in the accompanying Transmittal.

The rejection of Claims 3, 8, 10, 11, 13, 20, and 23-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Arz et al. is respectfully traversed.

Claims 3, 8, 10, 11, 13, 20, and 23-25 have been cancelled. Therefore, it is requested that the rejection of Claims 3, 8, 10, 11, 13, 20, and 23-25 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Arz et al. be withdrawn.

Applicant gratefully acknowledges the allowance of Claims 4-7, 14-17, and 26, and the indication of allowable subject matter in Claims 21 and 22.

The objection to Claims 21-22 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim is respectfully traversed.

Claim 21 has been rewritten as suggested by the Office. Therefore, it is submitted that Claim 21 is allowable as herein amended.

Claim 22 is dependent upon Claim 21, which is now no longer itself dependent upon a rejected base claim. Therefore it is submitted that the object to Claim 22 no longer applies.

For the above reasons, it is requested that the objection to Claims 21 and 22 be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, all the claims now active in this application are believed to be in condition for allowance. Reconsideration and favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully Submitted,



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